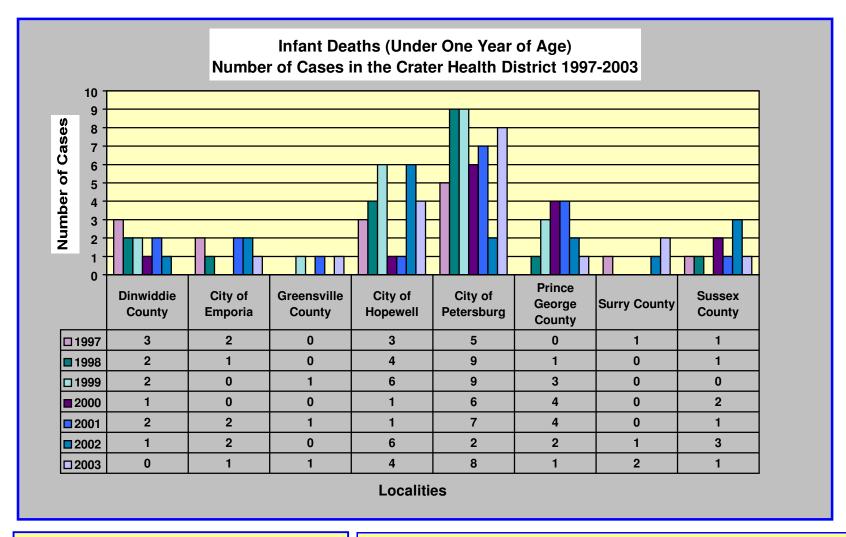
Infant Mortality



There was not a significant change in the number of infant deaths in Prince George County between 1997 and 2003.

Infant mortality, or the death of a child before his or her first birthday, is associated with a variety of factors such as the health of the mother, access to medical care, and socioeconomic conditions. Some ways to prevent infant deaths include: women in their reproductive years (including those who are pregnant or between pregnancies) eating a folate-rich diet; making sure infants sleep on their back; and reducing stress at home and work.